

State Energy Sector Partnership

State Workforce Investment Board

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Grant Opportunity

- U.S. Department of Labor ARRA Solicitation for Grant Applications
- State Energy Sector Partnership
- \$190 million in grants to State Workforce Investment Boards
- Each grant \$2 to \$6 million
- Investing in state energy efficiency and renewable energy industries
- Encouraging related strategic planning

Steering Committee

- Strategic Planning and Project Oversight
- Representatives
 - SWIB
 - Energy-Related State Agencies
 - Local Workforce Investment Areas
 - State Workforce Agency
 - Labor Organization
 - Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy Business and Industry
 - MEPI
 - Education and Training

Green Industries and Occupations

- The energy-efficient building construction and retrofit industries
- The renewable electric power industry
- The energy efficient and advanced drive train vehicle industry
- The deconstruction and materials use industries
- The biofuels industry
- The energy efficiency assessment industry serving residential, commercial or industrial sectors
- Manufacturers that produce sustainable products using environmentally sustainable processes and materials

Other Green Occupations

- Transportation
- Green construction
- Environmental protection
- Sustainable agriculture, including healthy food production
- Forestry
- Recycling and waste reduction

Target Counties

Counties Impacted by Automotive-Related Restructuring

- Benton
- Bolivar
- Holmes
- Madison
- Quitman
- Smith
- Union
- Yalobusha

Mississippi Application

- The biofuels industry
- Manufacturers the produce sustainable processes and materials
 - Automotive
 - Aerospace
 - Wood Products

Mississippi Application

- *The biofuels industry* – Mississippi Corridor Consortium
- Manufacturers the produce sustainable processes and materials
 - *Automotive* – Holmes Community College
 - *Aerospace* – Mississippi Corridor Consortium
 - *Wood Products* – Jones County Junior College

Training Model

- Multiple Entry and Exit points
 - Career Readiness Certification
 - Basic Skills Remediation
 - Regionally Accepted Manufacturing Skills Certification/Credential Program
 - Associate Degree

Target Groups

- Veterans,
- Dislocated Workers,
- High School Dropouts,
- Unemployed and Underemployed Individuals,
and
- Incumbent Workers

Expected Outcomes

- Services and Training - 10,000
- Develop Green Curriculum Components
- Leverage Other Funds

Questions ?